

On the absolute ruin in a MAP risk model with debit interest

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Abstract

In this paper we consider a risk model where claims arrive according to a Markovian arrival process (MAP). When the surplus becomes negative or the insurer is on deficit, the insurer could borrow money at a constant debit interest rate to repay the claims. We derive the integro-differential equations satisfied by the discounted penalty functions and discuss the solutions. A matrix renewal equation is obtained for the discounted penalty function provided that the initial surplus is nonnegative. Based on this matrix renewal equation, we present some asymptotic formulas for the discounted penalty functions when the claims sizes are heavy-tailed.

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1 Introduction

In this paper, we assume that the claims in the surplus process arrive according to a Markovian arrival process (MAP). The underlying environment process, say $\{J(t), t \geq 0\}$, is a continuous time Markov process with representation $\{\alpha, \mathbf{D}_0, \mathbf{D}_1\}$, where α is the initial probability vector, $\mathbf{D}_0 + \mathbf{D}_1$ is the intensity matrix. Assume that $J(t)$ is irreducible with finite space $\mathcal{E} = \{1, \dots, m\}$. The sub-matrices $\mathbf{D}_0 = [D_{0,ij}]_{i,j=1}^m$ and $\mathbf{D}_1 = [D_{1,ij}]_{i,j=1}^m$ are such that

$$\begin{cases} 0 \leq D_{1,ij} < \infty, \\ 0 \leq D_{0,ij} < \infty, & i \neq j, \\ D_{0,ii} < 0, \\ \sum_{j=1}^m (D_{0,ij} + D_{1,ij}) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Let $\pi = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_m)$ be the stationary probability row vector of $J(t)$, such that

$$\pi[\mathbf{D}_0 + \mathbf{D}_1] = \mathbf{0}, \quad \pi \mathbf{e} = 1,$$

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where $\mathbf{0}$ is an m -dimension row vector of zeros, and \mathbf{e} is an m -dimension column vector of ones.

The sub-matrices \mathbf{D}_1 and \mathbf{D}_0 denote respectively the intensities of state changes with and without an accompanying claim. Furthermore, assume that the claim size is dependent on the Markovian state of $J(t)$ immediately before and after the state transition. Whenever the transition from state i to state j occurs and a claim arrives, the claim size has distribution $F_{ij} = 1 - \bar{F}_{ij}$, density f_{ij} , mean μ_{ij} and Laplace transform $\hat{f}_{ij}(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-sx} f_{ij}(x) dx$. Given the initial surplus $u \geq 0$, the risk model is defined as $U_\infty(t) = u + Y(t)$ with

$$Y(t) = ct - \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i, \quad (1.1)$$

where $c > 0$ is the premium rate, $\{N(t), t \geq 0\}$ is the claim number process, and $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ is a sequence of claim size random variables taking positive values. The bivariate Markov process $\{(J(t), N(t)), t \geq 0\}$ is called MAP, and accordingly the risk model $U_\infty(t)$ is called the MAP risk model. In Section XI of Asmussen, the bivariate Markov process $\{(J(t), Y(t)), t \geq 0\}$ is called the Markov additive process. Throughout this paper, we use MAP as the abbreviation of Markovian arrival process. not Markov additive process.

For notational convenience, let

$$\mathbb{E}_i(\cdot) = \mathbb{E}(\cdot | J(0) = i), \quad \mathbb{P}_i(\cdot) = \mathbb{P}(\cdot | J(0) = i).$$

By Proposition XI.2.2 of Asmussen (2003), the matrix-valued moment generating function of $Y(t)$ is given by

$$\mathbb{E}_i[e^{sY(t)}; J(t) = j] = [e^{\mathbf{K}(s)t}]_{ij} \quad (1.2)$$

with the matrix cumulant generating function $\mathbf{K}(s)$ given by

$$\mathbf{K}(s) = cs\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{D}_0 + \mathbf{D}_1 \circ \hat{\mathbf{f}}(s), \quad (1.3)$$

where \mathbf{I} is the identity matrix, $\hat{\mathbf{f}}(s) = [\hat{f}_{ij}(s)]_{i,j=1}^m$. Here for two matrices $\mathbf{A} = [A_{ij}]$ and $\mathbf{B} = [B_{ij}]$ with the same dimension, $\mathbf{A} \circ \mathbf{B} = [A_{ij}B_{ij}]$ denotes the entrywise multiplication. Note that $\mathbf{K}(s)$ is well defined at least for $\text{Re}(s) \geq 0$.

The MAP risk model, as an extension of the classical risk model and the Markov-modulated risk model, has received a lot of attention in the last few years. Badescu et al. (2005a,b) studied the ruin probability and the joint distribution of the surplus before and after ruin. Ahn and Badescu (2007) studied the discounted penalty function. Note that in these papers the assumption on the phae-type claim size distribution is important so as the risk model can be connected to the fluid flow model. For the same MAP risk model, Cheung and Landriault (2010) studied a generalized discounted penalty function incorporating the maximum surplus before ruin.

Recently, more and more researchers have paid attention to the risk model with debit interest. It is assumed that the company does not cease to operate when the traditional ruin occurs, i.e. the surplus drops below level zero for the first time. The insurer could borrow money at a constant interest rate and then repay the debts continuously from its premium income. Gerber (1971) first considered the absolute ruin probability in the compound Poisson risk model when the debit and credit interest rates are the same; Dassios and Embrechts (1989) studied the absolute ruin probability by martingale approach

and the theory of piecewise deterministic Markov processes; Embrechts and Schmidli (1994) considered the absolute ruin probability in a piecewise-deterministic Markov risk process; Gerber and Yang (2007) considered the absolute ruin probability in a jump-diffusion model with different credit and debit rates. Cai (2007) studied the discounted penalty function at absolute ruin in the classical risk model; Yin and Wang (2010) studied the absolute ruin in a perturbed compound Poisson risk process with investment and debit interest; More recently, Konstantinides et al. (2010) studied the asymptotic expressions for the absolute ruin probabilities in a renewal risk model with constant force of interest.

Now consider the same situation as in $U_\infty(t)$, but we assume that, whenever the surplus falls below zero level or the company is on deficit, the insurer could borrow money with the amount equal to the deficit at a debit interest force $r > 0$. Under such modification, we denote the surplus process by $U_r(t)$. The mathematical description of $U_r(t)$ is

$$dU_r(t) = \begin{cases} dY(t), & U_r(t) > 0, \\ rU_r(t)dt + dY(t), & U_r(t) < 0. \end{cases} \quad (1.4)$$

Note that when the surplus is equal to or below the critical level $-\frac{c}{r}$, it will not be able to return to a positive level. Let $T_r = \inf\{t \geq 0 : U_r(t) \leq -\frac{c}{r}\}$ be the absolute ruin time, where $T_r = \infty$ if absolute ruin never occurs in any finite time.

Given the initial environment $J(0) = i$ and the initial surplus $U_r(0) = u$, the discounted penalty function is defined as

$$\Phi_{ij}(u) = \mathbb{E}_i[e^{-\delta T_r} w(U_r(T_r-), |U_r(T_r)|) \mathbf{1}_{(T_r < \infty, J(T_r)=j)} | U_r(0) = u], \quad (1.5)$$

where $\delta \geq 0$ is the interest force, $\mathbf{1}_{(A)}$ is the indicator function of event A , $w: (-\frac{c}{r}, \infty) \times [\frac{c}{r}, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$, is a measurable penalty function of the surplus immediately before ruin, $U_r(T_r-)$, and the deficit at ruin, $|U_r(T_r)|$. Throughout this paper, we assume that w is a bounded function. Furthermore, we assume that the following net profit condition holds

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m \pi_i D_{1,ij} \mu_{ij} < c. \quad (1.6)$$

The discounted penalty function was first introduced in Gerber and Shiu (1998) in a classical insurance risk model, it is often called the Gerber-Shiu function.

In the rest of this paper, the matrix notations will be frequently used. Write $\Phi(u) = [\Phi_{ij}(u)]_{i,j=1}^m$, $\mathbf{f}(x) = [f_{ij}(x)]_{i,j=1}^m$, $\mathbf{F}(x) = [F_{ij}(x)]_{i,j=1}^m$, $\bar{\mathbf{F}}(x) = [\bar{F}_{ij}(x)]_{i,j=1}^m$. For a matrix \mathbf{A} , we denote its (i, j) th entry by $[\mathbf{A}]_{i,j}$, its transpose by \mathbf{A}^T . For two functions f_1, f_2 supported on $[0, \infty)$, the convolution is defined by

$$f_1 * f_2(x) = \int_0^x f_1(y) f_2(x-y) dy, \quad x \geq 0.$$

While for two matrix-valued functions $\mathbf{A}_1(x)$ and $\mathbf{A}_2(x)$ with the same dimension, define

$$\mathbf{A}_1 * \mathbf{A}_2(x) = \int_0^x \mathbf{A}_1(y) \mathbf{A}_2(x-y) dy, \quad x \geq 0.$$

Further, for $n > 1$ let $f^{*n}(x) = f^{*(n-1)} * f(x)$, $\mathbf{A}^{*n}(x) = \mathbf{A}^{*(n-1)} * \mathbf{A}(x)$. We denote the Laplace transform of a function by adding a hat on the corresponding letter. Note that for a matrix-valued function $\mathbf{A}(x) = [A_{ij}(x)]_{i,j=1}^m$, $\hat{\mathbf{A}}(s)$ means $[\hat{A}_{ij}(s)]_{i,j=1}^m$.

2 Integro-differential equations and their solutions

In this section, we first derive a system of integro-differential equations with boundary conditions for the discounted penalty functions, and then discuss the solutions. For convenience, let $\Phi_{+,ij}(u) = \Phi_{ij}(u)$ for $u \geq 0$ and $\Phi_{-,ij}(u) = \Phi_{ij}(u)$ for $u < 0$. Put $\Phi_+(u) = [\Phi_{+,ij}(u)]_{i,j=1}^m$, $\Phi_-(u) = [\Phi_{-,ij}(u)]_{i,j=1}^m$.

Theorem 1 *The discounted penalty functions $\Phi_+(u)$ and $\Phi_-(u)$ satisfy the following integro-differential equations: for $u \geq 0$,*

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0) \Phi_+(u) &= c \Phi'_+(u) + \int_0^u [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] \Phi_+(u-x) dx \\ &\quad + \int_u^{u+\frac{c}{r}} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] \Phi_-(u-x) dx + \mathbf{D}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\omega}(u), \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

for $-\frac{c}{r} < u < 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0) \Phi_-(u) &= (ur + c) \Phi'_-(u) + \int_0^{u+\frac{c}{r}} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] \Phi_-(u-x) dx \\ &\quad + \mathbf{D}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\omega}(u), \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\omega}(u) = [\omega_{ij}(u)]_{i,j=1}^m$ with $\omega_{ij}(u) = \int_{u+\frac{c}{r}}^\infty w(u, x-u) f_{ij}(x) dx$.

Proof. For $u \geq 0$, by conditioning on the time of the first state change of the Markov process $(J(t), N(t))$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{+,ij}(u) &= \int_0^\infty e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)t} \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^m D_{0,ik} \Phi_{+,kj}(u+ct) dt \\ &\quad + \int_0^\infty e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)t} \sum_{k=1}^m D_{1,ik} \left[\int_0^{u+ct} \Phi_{+,kj}(u+ct-x) f_{ik}(x) dx \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_{u+ct}^{u+ct+\frac{c}{r}} \Phi_{-,kj}(u+ct-x) f_{ik}(x) dx \right] dt \\ &\quad + \int_0^\infty e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)t} D_{1,ij} \int_{u+ct+\frac{c}{r}}^\infty w(u+ct, x-u-ct) f_{ij}(x) dx dt. \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

A change of variables $s = u + ct$ brings (2.3) into

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{+,ij}(u) &= \int_u^\infty \frac{1}{c} e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)\frac{s-u}{c}} \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^m D_{0,ik} \Phi_{+,kj}(s) ds \\ &\quad + \int_u^\infty \frac{1}{c} e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)\frac{s-u}{c}} \sum_{k=1}^m D_{1,ik} \left[\int_0^s \Phi_{+,kj}(s-x) f_{ik}(x) dx \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_s^{s+\frac{c}{r}} \Phi_{-,kj}(s-x) f_{ik}(x) dx \right] ds + \int_u^\infty \frac{1}{c} e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)\frac{s-u}{c}} D_{1,ij} \omega_{ij}(s) ds. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

Differentiating both sides of (2.4) gives

$$\begin{aligned} c\Phi'_{+,ij}(u) &= \delta\Phi_{+,ij}(u) - \sum_{k=1}^m D_{0,ik}\Phi_{+,kj}(u) - \sum_{k=1}^m D_{1,ik} \left[\int_0^u \Phi_{+,kj}(u-x)f_{ik}(x)dx \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_u^{u+\frac{c}{r}} \Phi_{-,kj}(u-x)f_{ik}(x)dx \right] - D_{1,ij}\omega_{ij}(u). \end{aligned}$$

Equation (2.1) is the matrix form of the above equation.

For $-\frac{c}{r} < u < 0$, let $t_0 = \frac{1}{r} \ln \frac{c}{ur+c}$, which is the solution of the following equation

$$h(u, t) := ue^{rt} + c\frac{e^{rt} - 1}{r} = 0.$$

Note that before time t_0 , the surplus process $U_r(t)$ stays below level zero. In particular, for $t < t_0$, $U_r(t) = h(u, t)$ prior to the first claim arrival. By conditioning on the time of the first state change of the Markov process $(J(t), N(t))$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{-,ij}(u) &= \int_0^{t_0} e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)t} \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^m D_{0,ik}\Phi_{-,kj}(h(u, t))dt \\ &\quad + \int_0^{t_0} e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)t} \sum_{k=1}^m D_{1,ik} \int_0^{h(u, t)+\frac{c}{r}} \Phi_{-,kj}(h(u, t)-x)f_{ik}(x)dxdt \\ &\quad + \int_0^{t_0} e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)t} D_{1,ij}\omega_{ij}(h(u, t))dt \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^{\infty} e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)t} \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^m D_{0,ik}\Phi_{+,kj}(c(t-t_0))dt \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^{\infty} e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)t} \sum_{k=1}^m D_{1,ik} \left[\int_0^{c(t-t_0)} \Phi_{+,kj}(c(t-t_0)-x)f_{ik}(x)dx \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_{c(t-t_0)}^{c(t-t_0)+\frac{c}{r}} \Phi_{-,kj}(c(t-t_0)-x)f_{ik}(x)dx \right] dt \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^{\infty} e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)t} D_{1,ij}\omega_{ij}(c(t-t_0))dt. \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

By changing some variables in (2.5), we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Phi_{-,ij}(u) \\
&= \int_u^0 \frac{1}{sr+c} \left(\frac{sr+c}{ur+c} \right)^{\frac{D_{0,ii}-\delta}{r}} \left[\sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^m D_{0,ik} \Phi_{-,kj}(s) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{k=1}^m D_{1,ik} \int_0^{s+\frac{c}{r}} \Phi_{-,kj}(s-x) f_{ik}(x) dx + D_{1,ij} \omega_{ij}(s) \right] ds \\
&\quad + \left(\frac{c}{ur+c} \right)^{\frac{D_{0,ii}-\delta}{r}} \int_0^\infty e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)\frac{s}{c}} \left[\sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^m D_{0,ik} \Phi_{+,kj}(s) + D_{1,ij} \omega_{ij}(s) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{k=1}^m D_{1,ik} \left(\int_0^s \Phi_{+,kj}(s-x) f_{ik}(x) dx + \int_s^{s+\frac{c}{r}} \Phi_{-,kj}(s-x) f_{ik}(x) dx \right) \right] ds.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

Differentiating both sides of (2.6) w.r.t. u gives

$$\begin{aligned}
(ur+c)\Phi'_{-,ij}(u) &= \delta \Phi_{-,ij}(u) - \sum_{k=1}^m D_{0,ik} \Phi_{-,kj}(u) \\
&\quad - \sum_{k=1}^m D_{1,ik} \int_0^{u+\frac{c}{r}} \Phi_{-,kj}(u-x) f_{ik}(x) dx - D_{1,ij} \omega_{ij}(u).
\end{aligned}$$

Rewriting the above equation in matrix form gives (2.2). \square

We can obtain some boundary conditions from the above derivation procedure. Firstly, from equations (2.4) and (2.6), we have

$$\Phi_+(0) = \Phi_-(0-). \tag{2.7}$$

Rewrite (2.6) as

$$\Phi_{-,ij}(u) = \frac{\int_u^0 (sr+c)^{\frac{D_{0,ii}-\delta}{r}-1} W_{1,ij}(s) ds}{(ur+c)^{\frac{D_{0,ii}-\delta}{r}}} + \left(\frac{c}{ur+c} \right)^{\frac{D_{0,ii}-\delta}{r}} W_{2,ij}, \tag{2.8}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
W_{1,ij}(s) &= \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^m D_{0,ik} \Phi_{-,kj}(s) + \sum_{k=1}^m D_{1,ik} \int_0^{s+\frac{c}{r}} \Phi_{-,kj}(s-x) f_{ik}(x) dx + D_{1,ij} \omega_{ij}(s), \\
W_{2,ij} &= \int_0^\infty e^{(D_{0,ii}-\delta)\frac{s}{c}} \left[\sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^m D_{0,ik} \Phi_{+,kj}(s) + D_{1,ij} \omega_{ij}(s) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{k=1}^m D_{1,ik} \left(\int_0^s \Phi_{+,kj}(s-x) f_{ik}(x) dx + \int_s^{s+\frac{c}{r}} \Phi_{-,kj}(s-x) f_{ik}(x) dx \right) \right] ds.
\end{aligned}$$

Because w is a bounded function, it is not hard to see that $W_{2,ij} < \infty$. If further

$$\lim_{u \downarrow -\frac{c}{r}} \int_u^0 (sr + c)^{\frac{D_{0,ii}-\delta}{r}-1} \omega_{ij}(s) ds = \infty, \quad i, j \in \mathcal{E}, \quad (2.9)$$

then

$$\lim_{u \downarrow -\frac{c}{r}} \int_u^0 (sr + c)^{\frac{D_{0,ii}-\delta}{r}-1} W_{1,ij}(s) ds = \infty.$$

In this case, by L'Hôpital's rule, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{-,ij}(-c/r) &= \lim_{u \downarrow -\frac{c}{r}} \frac{\int_u^0 (sr + c)^{\frac{D_{0,ii}-\delta}{r}-1} W_{1,ij}(s) ds}{(ur + c)^{\frac{D_{0,ii}-\delta}{r}}} + \lim_{u \downarrow -\frac{c}{r}} \left(\frac{c}{ur + c} \right)^{\frac{D_{0,ii}-\delta}{r}} W_{2,ij}(s) \\ &= \frac{-W_{1,ij}(-c/r)}{D_{0,ii} - \delta}, \end{aligned}$$

that is for $i, j \in \mathcal{E}$

$$\sum_{k=1}^m D_{0,ik} \Phi_{-,kj}(-c/r) - \delta \Phi_{-,ij}(-c/r) + D_{1,ij} \omega_{ij}(-c/r) = 0.$$

Rewrite the above equation in matrix form gives

$$[\delta \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0] \Phi_{-}(-c/r) = \mathbf{D}_1 \circ \omega(-c/r).$$

Since \mathbf{D}_0 is a subgenerator matrix, $\delta \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0$ is nonsingular. Then

$$\Phi_{-}(-c/r) = [\delta \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0]^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \omega(-c/r)]. \quad (2.10)$$

We remark that most of the penalty functions used in ruin theory satisfy (2.9).

Now we discuss the solutions to equations (2.1) and (2.2). Firstly, we consider equation (2.2). Note that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^u \int_0^{t+\frac{c}{r}} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] \Phi_{-}(t-x) dx dt \\ &= \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^u \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^t [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(t-x)] \Phi_{-}(x) dx dt \\ &= \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^u \int_x^u [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(t-x)] dt \Phi_{-}(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^u [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{F}(u-x)] \Phi_{-}(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Then replacing u in (2.2) by t , integrating both sides from $-\frac{c}{r}$ to u gives

$$\Phi_{-}(u) = \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^u \mathbf{K}_{-}(u, x) \Phi_{-}(x) dx + \mathbf{H}_{-}(u), \quad -\frac{c}{r} < u < 0, \quad (2.11)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{K}_-(u, x) &= \frac{(\delta + r)\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0 - [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{F}(u - x)]}{ur + c}, \\ \mathbf{H}_-(u) &= -\frac{1}{ur + c} \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^u [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\omega}(t)] dt.\end{aligned}$$

Under some regular conditions, for example, the penalty function w is bounded, we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{u \downarrow -\frac{c}{r}} \boldsymbol{\Phi}_-(u) &= \lim_{u \downarrow -\frac{c}{r}} \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^u \mathbf{K}_-(u, x) \boldsymbol{\Phi}_-(x) dx + \lim_{u \downarrow -\frac{c}{r}} \mathbf{H}_-(u) \\ &= \frac{1}{r} [(\delta + r)\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0] \boldsymbol{\Phi}_-(-c/r) - \frac{1}{r} \mathbf{D}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\omega}(-c/r)\end{aligned}$$

thanks to L'Hôpital's rule, which will recover the boundary condition (2.10) again after some rearrangement.

Equation (2.11) is a matrix Volterra integral equation of the second kind. Obviously, \mathbf{H}_- is absolutely integrable and the kernel \mathbf{K}_- is continuous. Then $\boldsymbol{\Phi}_-(u)$ can be approximated recursively by Picard's sequence $\{\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{n,-}(u), n \geq 0\}$, where $\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{0,-}(u) = \mathbf{H}_-(u)$, and for $n \geq 1$

$$\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{n,-}(u) = \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^u \mathbf{K}_-(u, x) \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{n-1,-}(x) dx + \mathbf{H}_-(u), \quad (2.12)$$

We can not get the desired explicit expression for $\boldsymbol{\Phi}_-(u)$ by (2.12). However, we can adopt some numerical approach to approximate $\boldsymbol{\Phi}_-(u)$ at some lattice points. In particular, with the boundary condition (2.10) in hand, this problem can be reduced to solving some linear system of algebraic equations. We refer the readers to Linz (1985) for the solution procedure, where many methods of solving the Volterra integral equations are presented.

Next, we consider equation (2.1). Let $\mathbf{V}(u)$ be the solution of the homogeneous integro-differential equation

$$(\delta \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0) \mathbf{V}(u) = c \mathbf{V}'(u) + \int_0^u [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] \mathbf{V}(u - x) dx \quad (2.13)$$

with initial condition $\mathbf{V}(0) = \mathbf{I}$. Then by the general theory of differential equation, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_+(u) &= \mathbf{V}(u) \boldsymbol{\Phi}_+(0) - \frac{1}{c} \int_0^u \mathbf{V}(x) \mathbf{B}_r(u - x) dx \\ &= \mathbf{V}(u) \boldsymbol{\Phi}_-(0) - \frac{1}{c} \int_0^u \mathbf{V}(x) \mathbf{B}_r(u - x) dx\end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

due to the continuity condition (2.7), where

$$\mathbf{B}_r(u) = \int_u^{u+\frac{c}{r}} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] \boldsymbol{\Phi}_-(u - x) dx + \mathbf{D}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\omega}(u).$$

From (2.14), we know that $\boldsymbol{\Phi}_+(u)$ is heavily dependent on the functions $\mathbf{V}(u)$ and $\boldsymbol{\Phi}_-(u)$. As being remarked by Cheung and Landriault (2010), if the elements in the Laplace

transform $\hat{\mathbf{f}}(s)$ are rational, then the elements in the Laplace transform $\hat{\mathbf{V}}(s)$ are also rational. In this case, $\mathbf{V}(u)$ can be readily obtained by inverting the Laplace transforms.

We can also rewrite equation (2.14) as

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_+(u) &= \mathbf{V}(u)\Phi_-(0) - \frac{1}{c} \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^0 \int_0^u \mathbf{V}(u-x) [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x-t)] dx \Phi_-(t) dt \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{c} \int_0^u \mathbf{V}(u-x) [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \omega(x)] dx.\end{aligned}\tag{2.15}$$

Thus, we can first get the approximative values of $\Phi_-(t)$ at some lattice points $-\frac{c}{r} = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{n-1} < t_n = 0$, and then apply (2.15) to approximate $\Phi_+(u)$ by some numerical integration methods.

The above arguments show that it is feasible to calculate the discounted penalty functions by some numerical methods. However, due to the difficulty of finding the explicit expressions, asymptotic results become significant and interesting.

3 A matrix renewal equation for $\Phi_+(u)$

In this section, we derive a matrix renewal equation for $\Phi_+(u)$ that is useful in studying the asymptotic behavior of the discounted penalty function. Firstly, we present some preliminaries that are due to Breuer (2008).

Consider a bivariate process (\tilde{J}, \tilde{Y}) which represents the time reversed process (J, Y) from a fixed time in the future when J starts from the stationary distribution π . That is,

$$\tilde{J}(s) = J((t-s)-), \quad \tilde{Y}(s) = Y(t) - Y((t-s)-), \quad 0 \leq s \leq t$$

under $\mathbb{P}_\pi := \sum_{i \in \mathcal{E}} \pi_i \mathbb{P}_i$. The bivariate process (\tilde{J}, \tilde{Y}) is still a Markov additive process. In the sequel, we shall use a $\tilde{\cdot}$ to indicate the characteristics associated with (\tilde{J}, \tilde{Y}) . The intensity matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}_0 + \tilde{\mathbf{D}}_1$ must satisfy

$$\tilde{\mathbf{D}}_0 = \Delta_\pi^{-1} \mathbf{D}_0^T \Delta_\pi, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{D}}_1 = \Delta_\pi^{-1} \mathbf{D}_1^T \Delta_\pi,$$

with $\Delta_\pi = \text{diag}(\pi_1, \dots, \pi_m)$. The matrix cumulate generating function associated with \tilde{Y} is given by

$$\tilde{\mathbf{K}}(s) = \Delta_\pi^{-1} \mathbf{K}(s)^T \Delta_\pi.$$

In the rest of the paper, whenever we talk about the process (\tilde{J}, \tilde{Y}) , we will refer to it under the probabilities $\{\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_i : i \in \mathcal{E}\}$.

For $x \geq 0$, let $\tau_x^+ = \inf\{t \geq 0 : Y(t) = x\}$ be the first time when Y reaches the level x . Due to the net profit condition (1.6), $\{\tau_x^+, x \geq 0\}$ is a non-terminating continuous time Markov process. From Section 3 of Breuer (2008), we know that there exists a matrix \mathbf{Q}_δ such that for $\delta \geq 0$

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}_i[e^{-\delta \tau_x^+}; J(\tau_x^+) = j] = [e^{\mathbf{Q}_\delta x}]_{ij}.\tag{3.1}$$

Under the probabilities $\{\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_i : i \in \mathcal{E}\}$ \mathbf{Q}_0 is the generator matrix of $\{\tau_x^+\}$, whereas for $\delta > 0$, \mathbf{Q}_δ is a subgenerator matrix. Thus, all eigenvalues of \mathbf{Q}_δ are on the left half

complex plane. By Theorem 1 of Breuer (2008), we know that \mathbf{Q}_δ satisfies the following non-linear matrix equation

$$c\mathbf{Q}_\delta = \tilde{\mathbf{D}}_0 - \delta\mathbf{I} + \int_0^\infty [\tilde{\mathbf{D}}_1 \circ \hat{\mathbf{f}}(x)]e^{\mathbf{Q}_\delta x} dx. \quad (3.2)$$

Furthermore, Theorem 2 of Breuer (2008) states that \mathbf{Q}_δ can be computed as the limit of the sequence $\{\mathbf{Q}_{\delta,n}, n \geq 0\}$, where $\mathbf{Q}_{\delta,0} = \frac{1}{c}[\tilde{\mathbf{D}}_0 - \delta\mathbf{I}]$, and for $n \geq 1$

$$c\mathbf{Q}_{\delta,n} = \tilde{\mathbf{D}}_0 - \delta\mathbf{I} + \int_0^\infty [\tilde{\mathbf{D}}_1 \circ \hat{\mathbf{f}}(x)]e^{\mathbf{Q}_{\delta,n-1}x} dx. \quad (3.3)$$

As will be seen later, it is more convenient for us to consider the matrix $\mathbf{P}_\delta := -[\Delta_\pi \mathbf{Q}_\delta \Delta_\pi^{-1}]^T$. Rewriting (3.2) in terms of \mathbf{P}_δ gives

$$c\mathbf{P}_\delta = \delta\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0 - \int_0^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx. \quad (3.4)$$

While from (3.3) we know that \mathbf{P}_δ can be approximated by the sequence $\{\mathbf{P}_{\delta,n}, n \geq 0\}$, where $\mathbf{P}_{\delta,0} = \frac{1}{c}[\delta\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0]$, and for $n \geq 1$

$$c\mathbf{P}_{\delta,n} = \delta\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0 - \int_0^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_{\delta,n-1}x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx. \quad (3.5)$$

Furthermore, the following lemma shows that \mathbf{P}_δ can also be obtained by diagonalized under some conditions.

Lemma 1 *Let $\rho_{\delta,1}, \dots, \rho_{\delta,m}$ be the eigenvalues of \mathbf{P}_δ and denote respectively by*

$$\Delta_{\rho_\delta} = \text{diag}(\rho_{\delta,1}, \dots, \rho_{\delta,m}), \quad \Gamma_\delta = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_{\delta,1} \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_{\delta,n} \end{bmatrix},$$

the eigenvalues matrix and left eigenvectors matrix of \mathbf{P}_δ . If the eigenvalues are distinct, then \mathbf{P}_δ has a diagonalisation form, $\mathbf{P}_\delta = \Gamma_\delta^{-1} \Delta_{\rho_\delta} \Gamma_\delta$. Furthermore, $\rho_{\delta,i}$'s are the roots of the following equation

$$\det[\mathbf{K}(s) - \delta\mathbf{I}] = 0, \quad (3.6)$$

and the eigenvectors $\gamma_{\delta,i}$'s can be obtained by solving the following equations

$$\gamma_{\delta,i} [\mathbf{K}(\rho_{\delta,i}) - \delta\mathbf{I}] = \mathbf{0}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m. \quad (3.7)$$

Proof. Obviously, if the eigenvalues are distinct, then the eigenvectors are nonsingular and \mathbf{P}_δ can be diagonalized as $\mathbf{P}_\delta = \Gamma_\delta^{-1} \Delta_{\rho_\delta} \Gamma_\delta$. Since \mathbf{P}_δ satisfies equation (3.4), we have

$$c\Gamma_\delta^{-1} \Delta_{\rho_\delta} \Gamma_\delta = \delta\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_0 - \Gamma_\delta^{-1} \int_0^\infty e^{-\Delta_{\rho_\delta} x} \Gamma_\delta [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx.$$

Pre-multiply the above equation by Γ_δ gives

$$c\Delta_{\rho_\delta} \Gamma_\delta = \delta\Gamma_\delta - \Gamma_\delta \mathbf{D}_0 - \int_0^\infty e^{-\Delta_{\rho_\delta} x} \Gamma_\delta [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx,$$

which is equivalent to (3.7). Finally, (3.7) implies that $\rho_{\delta,i}$'s are roots of (3.6). \square

Remark 1 Since \mathbf{Q}_δ is a (sub)generator matrix and \mathbf{P}_δ is similar to $-\mathbf{Q}_\delta^T$, then the eigenvalues $\rho_{\delta,i}$'s must be on the right half complex plane. Furthermore, by the Perron-Frobenius theorem (see e.g. Corollary A4.8 of Asmussen (2000)), we know that the eigenvalue of \mathbf{P}_δ with the minimum real part, say ρ_δ , is real and strictly less than other eigenvalues. Let γ_δ and \mathbf{h}_δ be the associated left and right eigenvectors normalized by $\gamma_\delta \mathbf{h}_\delta = 1$, $\gamma_\delta \mathbf{e} = 1$, then all components of γ_δ and \mathbf{h}_δ are real and positive. In particular, when $\delta = 0$, we have $\rho_0 = 0$, $\gamma_0 = \pi$. In the rest of this paper, we will denote \mathbf{h}_0 by \mathbf{h} .

The following theorem is the main result of this section.

Theorem 2 The discounted penalty function $\Phi_+(u)$ satisfies the following matrix renewal equation

$$\Phi_+(u) = \int_0^u \mathbf{g}_\delta(y) \Phi_+(u-y) dy + \mathbf{Z}_\delta(u), \quad (3.8)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{g}_\delta(y) &= \frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x+y)] dx, \\ \mathbf{Z}_\delta(u) &= \frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} \mathbf{B}_r(x+u) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2 Equation (3.8) is a generalization of the defective renewal equation (3.1) of Cai (2007), where only the case $m = 1$ and $\delta = 0$ is considered. We shall present two approaches to derive equation (3.8). The first one is an analytic approach, which is on the ground of the assumption that the eigenvalues are distinct. While the second one is based on some purely probabilistic arguments without any assumption on the eigenvalues. It seems that the second one is more interesting, but the first one is also practical because in almost all the applications the eigenvalues are distinct.

Proof of Theorem 2 (analytic approach): In this proof, we assume that the eigenvalues $\rho_{\delta,i}$'s are distinct. We start from the integro-differential equation (2.1). Taking Laplace transforms on both sides of (2.1) gives

$$[\mathbf{K}(s) - \delta \mathbf{I}] \hat{\Phi}_+(s) = c \Phi_+(0) - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_r(s). \quad (3.9)$$

Note that the matrix $s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta$ is nonsingular for $s \neq \rho_{\delta,1}, \dots, \rho_{\delta,m}$. Since \mathbf{P}_δ satisfies equation (3.4), for $s \neq \rho_{\delta,1}, \dots, \rho_{\delta,m}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{K}(s) - \delta \mathbf{I} &= c\mathbf{I} - \delta \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{D}_0 + \int_0^\infty e^{-s\mathbf{I}x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx \\ &\quad - \left[c\mathbf{P}_\delta - \delta \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{D}_0 + \int_0^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx \right] \\ &= (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta) \left[c\mathbf{I} - (\mathbf{P}_\delta - s\mathbf{I})^{-1} \int_0^\infty (e^{-s\mathbf{I}x} - e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x}) [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx \right] \\ &= (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta) \left[c\mathbf{I} - (\mathbf{P}_\delta - s\mathbf{I})^{-1} \int_0^\infty (e^{-(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta)x} - \mathbf{I}) e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx \right] \\ &= (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta) \left[c\mathbf{I} - \int_0^\infty \int_0^x e^{-(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta)y} dy e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx \right] \\ &= (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta) \left[c\mathbf{I} - \int_0^\infty e^{-sy} \int_y^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta(x-y)} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx dy \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

Setting $s = \rho_{\delta,i}$ in (3.9) and then pre-multiplying both sides by $\gamma_{\delta,i}$ gives

$$c\gamma_{\delta,i}\Phi_+(0) = \gamma_{\delta,i}\hat{\mathbf{B}}_r(\rho_{\delta,i}) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\rho_{\delta,i}x} \gamma_{\delta,i}\mathbf{B}_r(x)dx, \quad i = 1, \dots, m.$$

Rewriting the above equations in matrix form gives

$$c\Gamma_\delta\Phi_+(0) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\Delta_{\rho_\delta}x} \Gamma_\delta\mathbf{B}_r(x)dx.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} c\Phi_+(0) &= \Gamma_\delta^{-1} \int_0^\infty e^{-\Delta_{\rho_\delta}x} \Gamma_\delta\mathbf{B}_r(x)dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} \mathbf{B}_r(x)dx. \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

By (3.11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} c\Phi_+(0) - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_r(s) &= \int_0^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} \mathbf{B}_r(x)dx - \int_0^\infty e^{-sx} \mathbf{B}_r(x)dx \\ &= (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta)(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta)^{-1} \int_0^\infty [\mathbf{I} - e^{-(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta)x}] e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} \mathbf{B}_r(x)dx \\ &= (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta) \int_0^\infty \int_0^x e^{-(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta)u} du e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} \mathbf{B}_r(x)dx \\ &= (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_\delta) \int_0^\infty e^{-su} \int_u^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta(x-u)} \mathbf{B}_r(x)dxdu, \end{aligned}$$

which together with (3.9) and (3.10) gives

$$\left[c\mathbf{I} - \int_0^\infty e^{-sy} \int_y^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta(x-y)} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x)] dx dy \right] \hat{\Phi}_+(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-su} \int_u^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta(x-u)} \mathbf{B}_r(x) dx du, \quad (3.12)$$

where $s \neq \rho_{\delta,1}, \dots, \rho_{\delta,m}$. By analytic continuation, (3.12) holds for all s on the right half complex plane. Finally, inverting the Laplace transforms in (3.12) gives (3.8). \square

Proof of Theorem 2 (probabilistic approach): Let $\tau_0^- = \inf\{t \geq 0 : Y(t) < 0\}$ be the first time when $Y(t)$ drops below the level zero. Given the initial Markovian state $J(0) = i$, let $f_{ij}(t, x, y)$ be the joint density of τ_0^- , $Y(\tau_0^-)$ and $-Y(\tau_0^-)$ assuming the Markovian state at time τ_0^- to be j . For $u > 0$, consider the following situations when the process $U_r(t)$ first drops below the initial surplus u : (1) if the overshoot, $-Y(\tau_0^-)$, is less than u , then the surplus stays above the level zero and the company does not borrow money; (2) if the overshoot is greater than u but less than $u + \frac{c}{r}$, then the surplus becomes negative and the company will borrow money to repay the claims; (3) if the overshoot is larger than $u + \frac{c}{r}$, absolute ruin occurs and the surplus immediately before the absolute ruin and the deficit at absolute ruin are respectively $u + Y(\tau_0^-)$ and $-Y(\tau_0^-) - u$. Distinguishing

the above three situations, for $i, j \in \mathcal{E}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi_{+,ij}(u) &= \sum_{k=1}^m \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_0^u e^{-\delta t} f_{ik}(t, x, y) \Phi_{+,kj}(u-y) dy dx dt \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=1}^m \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_u^{u+\frac{c}{r}} e^{-\delta t} f_{ik}(t, x, y) \Phi_{-,kj}(u-y) dy dx dt \\
&\quad + \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_{u+\frac{c}{r}}^\infty e^{-\delta t} f_{ij}(t, x, y) w(x+u, y-u) dy dx dt \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^m \int_0^\infty \int_0^u f_{\delta,ik}(x, y) \Phi_{+,kj}(u-y) dy dx \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=1}^m \int_0^\infty \int_u^{u+\frac{c}{r}} f_{\delta,ik}(x, y) \Phi_{-,kj}(u-y) dy dx \\
&\quad + \int_0^\infty \int_{u+\frac{c}{r}}^\infty f_{\delta,ij}(x, y) w(x+u, y-u) dy dx, \tag{3.13}
\end{aligned}$$

where $f_{\delta,ij}(x, y) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\delta t} f_{ij}(t, x, y) dt$. Put $\mathbf{f}_\delta(x, y) = [f_{\delta,ij}(x, y)]_{i,j=1}^m$ and write (3.13) in the following matrix form

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi_+(u) &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^u \mathbf{f}_\delta(x, y) \Phi_+(u-y) dy dx + \int_0^\infty \int_u^{u+\frac{c}{r}} \mathbf{f}_\delta(x, y) \Phi_-(u-y) dy dx \\
&\quad + \int_0^\infty \int_{u+\frac{c}{r}}^\infty \mathbf{f}_\delta(x, y) w(x+u, y-u) dy dx. \tag{3.14}
\end{aligned}$$

Now we identify $f_{\delta,ij}(x, y)$ for $i, j \in \mathcal{E}$. Conditioning on the Markovian state immediately before time τ_0^- , one obtains

$$\begin{aligned}
&f_{ij}(x, y) dx dy \\
&= \int_{t \in (0, \infty)} e^{-\delta t} \mathbb{P}_i(\tau_0^- \in dt, Y(\tau_0^-) \in dx, -Y(\tau_0^-) \in dy, J(\tau_0^-) = j) \\
&= \sum_{k \in \mathcal{E}} \int_{t \in (0, \infty)} e^{-\delta t} \mathbb{P}_i(\tau_0^- \in dt, Y(\tau_0^-) \in dx, -Y(\tau_0^-) \in dy, J(\tau_0^-) = k, J(\tau_0^-) = j) \\
&= \sum_{k \in \mathcal{E}} \int_{t \in (0, \infty)} e^{-\delta t} \mathbb{P}_i(\tau_0^- \geq t, Y(t-) \in dx, J(t-) = k) D_{1,kj} f_{kj}(x+y) dt dy \\
&= \sum_{k \in \mathcal{E}} \int_{t \in (0, \infty)} e^{-\delta t} \mathbb{P}_i(\tau_0^- \geq t, Y(t) \in dx, J(t) = k) D_{1,kj} f_{kj}(x+y) dt dy \\
&:= \sum_{k \in \mathcal{E}} \mathcal{R}_{ik}^{(\delta)}(dx) D_{1,kj} f_{kj}(x+y) dy, \tag{3.15}
\end{aligned}$$

where by time reversal

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{R}_{ik}^{(\delta)}(dx) &= \int_{t \in (0, \infty)} e^{-\delta t} \mathbb{P}_i(\tau_0^- \geq t, Y(t) \in dx, J(t) = k) dt \\
&= \frac{\pi_k}{\pi_i} \int_{t \in (0, \infty)} e^{-\delta t} \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_k(\tau_x^+ \geq t, Y(t) \in dx, J(t) = i) dt.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_k(\tau_x^+ \geq t, Y(t) \in dx, J(t) = i) = \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_k(\tau_x^+ \in dt, J(t) = i),$$

and $dt = \frac{1}{c}dx$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_{ik}^{(\delta)}(dx) &= \frac{\pi_k}{c\pi_i} \int_{t \in (0, \infty)} e^{-\delta t} \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_k(\tau_x^+ \in dt, J(t) = i) dx \\ &= \frac{\pi_k}{c\pi_i} [e^{\mathbf{Q}_{\delta} x}]_{ki} dx, \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

where the second step follows from (3.1). Plugging (3.16) into (3.15) gives

$$f_{ij}(x, y) = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{E}} \frac{\pi_k}{c\pi_i} [e^{\mathbf{Q}_{\delta} x}]_{ki} D_{1,kj} f_{kj}(x + y),$$

or in matrix form

$$\mathbf{f}_{\delta}(x, y) = \frac{1}{c} e^{-\mathbf{P}_{\delta} x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x + y)]. \quad (3.17)$$

Finally, plugging (3.17) into (3.14), one recovers (3.8). \square

It is not hard to see that the matrix $\int_0^{\infty} \mathbf{g}_{\delta}(y) dy$ is strictly substochastic under either $\delta > 0$ or the net profit condition (1.6). Then the matrix renewal equation (3.8) has the minimal solution such that for $u \geq 0$

$$\Phi_+(u) = \mathbf{Z}_{\delta}(u) + \int_0^u \mathbf{\Pi}_{\delta}(y) \mathbf{Z}_{\delta}(u - y) dy, \quad (3.18)$$

where $\mathbf{\Pi}_{\delta}(y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{g}_{\delta}^{*n}(y)$.

4 Asymptotic results for heavy-tailed claims

From Section 2, we know that it is very hard to find the explicit expressions for the discounted penalty functions. In this Section, we will investigate the asymptotic behavior of $\Phi(u)$ when the claim sizes are heavy-tailed. We remark that the asymptotic behavior for the ruin probability in the Markov-modulated risk model has been studied by, e.g. Asmussen et al. (1994), Rolski et al. (1999) and Asmussen (2000).

In the rest of this paper, for two scale-valued functions $a_1(x), a_2(x)$, we use $a_1(x) \sim a_2(x)$, $a_1(x) \sim o(a_2(x))$ and $a_1(x) \sim O(a_2(x))$ to denote $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (a_1(x)/a_2(x)) = 1$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (a_1(x)/a_2(x)) = 0$, and $0 < \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} (a_1(x)/a_2(x)) \leq \limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} (a_1(x)/a_2(x)) < \infty$. While for two matrix-valued functions $\mathbf{A}_1(x), \mathbf{A}_2(x)$, we use $\mathbf{A}_1(x) \sim \mathbf{A}_2(x)$, $\mathbf{A}_1(x) \sim o(\mathbf{A}_2(x))$ and $\mathbf{A}_1(x) \sim O(\mathbf{A}_2(x))$ to denote $[\mathbf{A}_1(x)]_{ij} \sim [\mathbf{A}_2(x)]_{ij}$, $[\mathbf{A}_1(x)]_{ij} \sim o([\mathbf{A}_2(x)]_{ij})$ and $[\mathbf{A}_1(x)]_{ij} \sim O([\mathbf{A}_2(x)]_{ij})$. Associated with a distribution function F defined on $[0, \infty)$, let $\bar{F} = 1 - F$ be the tail function and define the convolution $F^{*2}(x) = F \star F(x) = \int_{0-}^x F(x - y) dF(y)$.

We introduce some classes of heavy-tailed functions and list some properties of them. Some excellent references on heavy-tailed distributions are Klüppelberg (1988, 1989), Embrechts et al. (1997), Asmussen (2000) and Asmussen et al. (2003).

Definition 1 A distribution function F on $[0, \infty)$ is said to belong to the class \mathcal{L} of long-tailed distributions if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\overline{F}(x-y)}{\overline{F}(x)} = 1, \quad \forall y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Definition 2 A distribution function F is said to belong to the class \mathcal{S} of subexponential distributions if $F \in \mathcal{L}$ and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\overline{F^{*2}}(x)}{\overline{F}(x)} = 2.$$

Definition 3 A measurable function $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is said to belong to the class \mathcal{L}_d if $f(x) > 0$ for all large $x > 0$ and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x-y)}{f(x)} = 1, \quad \forall y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Definition 4 A measurable function f is said to belong to the class \mathcal{S}_d if $f \in \mathcal{L}_d$ and the following limit exists

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f^{*2}(x)}{f(x)} = 2d < \infty.$$

When $f \in \mathcal{S}_d$ is a density function, we call it a subexponential density. It is well known that the classes \mathcal{L} and \mathcal{S} are closed w.r.t. tail equivalence, while the classes \mathcal{L}_d and \mathcal{S}_d are closed w.r.t. asymptotic equivalence.

Lemma 2 (Tang and Wei (2010)) If $f \in \mathcal{L}_d$, then for $\forall \epsilon > 0$, there are some constants $c_0, x_0 > 0$ such that, for $\forall x \geq y \geq x_0$,

$$c_0^{-1} e^{-\epsilon(x-y)} \leq \frac{f(x)}{f(y)} \leq c_0 e^{\epsilon(x-y)}.$$

By some standard arguments (see e.g. Proposition 7 and Proposition 8 in Asmussen et al. (2003)), we can obtain the following results.

Lemma 3 Let f, f_1, \dots, f_k be densities on \mathbb{R}_+ such that $f_i(x) \sim c_i f(x)$ for $c_i > 0$, $i = 1, \dots, k$. If f is a subexponential density, then

(a) For all $n_1, \dots, n_k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$(f_1^{*n_1} * \dots * f_k^{*n_k})(x) \sim \sum_{i=1}^k n_i c_i f(x),$$

and $f_1^{*n_1} * \dots * f_k^{*n_k}$ is also a subexponential density.

(b) For any $\epsilon > 0$, there exists some $x_\epsilon \geq 0$ and $0 < N_\epsilon < \infty$ such that

$$(f_1^{*n_1} * \dots * f_k^{*n_k})(x) \leq N_\epsilon (1 + \epsilon)^{n_1 + \dots + n_k} f(x),$$

for all $x \geq x_\epsilon$, $n_1, \dots, n_k \in \mathbb{N}$.

We shall study the asymptotic behavior of $\Phi(u)$ when u is sufficiently large. It suffices to study the asymptotic behavior of $\Phi_+(u)$. To this end, we need the following assumption.

Assumption 1 *There exists a matrix $\mathbf{H} = [H_{ij}]_{i,j=1}^m$ and a distribution function F with density f , such that for $i, j = 1, \dots, m$,*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f_{ij}(x)}{f(x)} = H_{ij} < \infty, \quad H_{ij} > 0.$$

Lemma 4 (a) *For $\delta > 0$, if Assumption 1 holds with $f \in \mathcal{L}_d$, we have*

$$\mathbf{g}_\delta(y) \sim \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(y)]. \quad (4.1)$$

(b) *For $\delta = 0$, if Assumption 1 holds with $\bar{F} \in \mathcal{L}_d$, we have*

$$\mathbf{g}_0(y) \sim \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{h}\pi [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \bar{\mathbf{F}}(y)]. \quad (4.2)$$

Proof. Recall Remark 1, by the Perron-Frobenius theorem we have

$$e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} = e^{-\rho_\delta x} \mathbf{h}_\delta \gamma_\delta + O(e^{-\beta x}), \quad (4.3)$$

where $\beta > \rho_\delta$.

Firstly, for part (a), we have

$$\frac{\mathbf{g}_\delta(y)}{f(y)} = \frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} \frac{\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x+y)}{f(x+y)} \frac{f(x+y)}{f(y)} dx.$$

By the dominated convergence theorem justified by (4.3), Assumption 1 and Lemma 2 with $\epsilon < \rho_\delta$, we have

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathbf{g}_\delta(y)}{f(y)} = \frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x+y)}{f(x+y)} \frac{f(x+y)}{f(y)} dx = \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}],$$

which implies that (4.1) holds.

Next, we consider part (b). By (4.3) we have

$$\mathbf{g}_0(y) = \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{h}\pi [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \bar{\mathbf{F}}(y)] + O\left(\frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty e^{-\beta x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x+y)] dx\right).$$

$\bar{F} \in \mathcal{L}_d$ implies also $f \in \mathcal{L}_d$. It follows from Lemma 4.4 (1) of Tang and Wei (2010) that $f(x) \sim o(\bar{F}(x))$. Then by Assumption 1 and the dominated convergence theorem again, it is not hard to see that, compared with $\mathbf{h}\pi [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \bar{\mathbf{F}}(y)]$, the matrix-valued function

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-\beta x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x+y)] dx$$

is asymptotically neglectable. This completes the proof. \square

To continue with, we need to specify the matrix $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta$, where $\mathbf{G}_\delta = \int_0^\infty \mathbf{g}_\delta(y) dy$. Setting $s = 0$ in (3.10) gives

$$\mathbf{P}_\delta [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta] = \frac{1}{c} [\delta \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}]. \quad (4.4)$$

For $\delta > 0$, \mathbf{P}_δ is nonsingular. Then (4.4) gives

$$\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta = \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\delta \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}], \quad \delta > 0. \quad (4.5)$$

For $\delta = 0$, firstly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{h}\pi [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_0] &= \mathbf{h}\pi - \frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \mathbf{h}\pi e^{-\mathbf{P}_0 x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x+y)] dx dy \\ &= \mathbf{h}\pi \left[\mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{D}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\mu} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

thanks to $\pi \mathbf{P}_0 = \mathbf{0}$, where $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [\mu_{ij}]_{i,j=1}^m$. Then by (4.6) and (4.4) with $\delta = 0$, we obtain

$$[\mathbf{h}\pi - \mathbf{P}_0] [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_0] = \mathbf{h}\pi \left[\mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{D}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\mu} \right] + \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{D}. \quad (4.7)$$

The matrix $\mathbf{h}\pi - \mathbf{P}_0$ is nonsingular and $[\mathbf{h}\pi - \mathbf{P}_0] \mathbf{h}\pi = \mathbf{h}\pi$. Then (4.7) gives

$$\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_0 = \mathbf{h}\pi \left[\mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{D}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\mu} \right] + \frac{1}{c} [\mathbf{h}\pi - \mathbf{P}_0]^{-1} \mathbf{D}. \quad (4.8)$$

Lemma 5 (a) For $\delta > 0$, if Assumption 1 holds with $f \in \mathcal{S}_d$, we have

$$\Pi_\delta(y) \sim \frac{1}{c} [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta]^{-1} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(y)] [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta]^{-1}. \quad (4.9)$$

(b) For $\delta = 0$, if Assumption 1 holds with $\bar{F} \in \mathcal{S}_d$, we have

$$\Pi_0(y) \sim \frac{1}{c} [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_0]^{-1} \mathbf{h}\pi [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \bar{\mathbf{F}}(y)] [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_0]^{-1}. \quad (4.10)$$

Proof. We only prove (a) since (b) can be obtained similarly. Let $\check{\mathbf{g}}_\delta(y) = [\check{g}_{\delta,ij}(y)]_{i,j=1}^m$ where $\check{g}_{\delta,ij}(y) = g_{\delta,ij}(y)/[\mathbf{G}_\delta]_{ij}$. By (4.1), we have

$$\check{g}_{\delta,ij}(y) \sim \frac{[\mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}]]_{ij}}{c[\mathbf{G}_\delta]_{ij}} f(y). \quad (4.11)$$

For fixed n , we have

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{g}_\delta^{*n}(y)]_{ij} &= \sum_{i_1=1}^m \cdots \sum_{i_{n-1}=1}^m (g_{\delta,ii_1} * \cdots * g_{\delta,i_{n-1}j})(y) \\ &= \sum_{i_1=1}^m \cdots \sum_{i_{n-1}=1}^m ([\mathbf{G}_\delta]_{ii_1} \cdots [\mathbf{G}_\delta]_{i_{n-1}j}) (\check{g}_{\delta,ii_1} * \cdots * \check{g}_{\delta,i_{n-1}j})(y). \end{aligned} \quad (4.12)$$

By Lemma 3 (a) and (4.11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{g}_\delta^{*n}(y)]_{ij} &\sim \sum_{i_1=1}^m \cdots \sum_{i_{n-1}=1}^m ([\mathbf{G}_\delta]_{ii_1} \cdots [\mathbf{G}_\delta]_{i_{n-1}j}) \\ &\quad \times \left(\frac{[\mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}]]_{ii_1}}{c[\mathbf{G}_\delta]_{ii_1}} + \cdots + \frac{[\mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}]]_{i_{n-1}j}}{c[\mathbf{G}_\delta]_{i_{n-1}j}} \right) f(y). \end{aligned}$$

In matrix form, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{g}_\delta^{*n}(y) &\sim \frac{1}{c} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{G}_\delta^k \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}] \mathbf{G}_\delta^{n-1-k} f(y) \\ &\sim \frac{1}{c} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{G}_\delta^k \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y})] \mathbf{G}_\delta^{n-1-k}.\end{aligned}\quad (4.13)$$

While by Lemma 3 (b) and (4.12), we know that for any $\epsilon > 0$, there exists some $N_\epsilon < \infty$ such that for large y

$$[\mathbf{g}_\delta^{*n}(y)]_{ij} \leq \sum_{i_1=1}^m \cdots \sum_{i_{n-1}=1}^m ([\mathbf{G}_\delta]_{ii_1} \cdots [\mathbf{G}_\delta]_{i_{n-1}j}) N_\epsilon (1 + \epsilon)^n f(y),$$

that is

$$\mathbf{g}_\delta^{*n}(y) \leq \mathbf{G}_\delta^n N_\epsilon (1 + \epsilon)^n f(y). \quad (4.14)$$

Since \mathbf{G}_δ is strictly substochastic, we can choose ϵ small enough such that the spectral radius of $(1 + \epsilon)\mathbf{G}_\delta$ is less than one. Then by the dominated convergence theorem and (4.13) we can obtain

$$\Pi_\delta(y) \sim \frac{1}{c} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{G}_\delta^k \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(y)] \mathbf{G}_\delta^{n-1-k} = \frac{1}{c} [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta]^{-1} [\mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(y)]] [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta]^{-1}.$$

This completes the proof. \square

Let $\bar{\Omega}_{ij}(u) = \int_u^\infty \omega_{ij}(x) dx$, $\bar{F}_{e,ij}(u) = \int_u^\infty \bar{F}_{ij}(x) dx$, and put $\bar{\Omega}(u) = [\bar{\Omega}_{ij}(u)]_{i,j=1}^m$ and $\bar{F}_e(u) = [\bar{F}_{e,ij}(u)]_{i,j=1}^m$.

Theorem 3 (a) For $\delta > 0$, assume that $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \omega_{ij}(u) / \bar{F}_{ij}(u) = \kappa > 0$ and Assumption 1 holds with $f \in \mathcal{S}_d$. Then

$$\Phi_+(u) \sim \frac{1}{c} [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta]^{-1} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \omega(u)]. \quad (4.15)$$

(b) For $\delta = 0$, assume that $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \bar{\Omega}_{ij}(u) / \bar{F}_{e,ij}(u) = \kappa > 0$ and Assumption 1 holds with $\bar{F} \in \mathcal{S}_d$. Then

$$\Phi_+(u) \sim \frac{1}{c} [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_0]^{-1} \mathbf{h} \pi [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \bar{\Omega}(u)]. \quad (4.16)$$

Proof. We only show part (a) since part (b) can be obtained similarly. Firstly, note that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{Z}_\delta(u) &= \frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^0 e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x + u - y)] \Phi_-(y) dy dx \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \omega(x + u)] dx \\ &:= \mathbf{M}_1(u) + \mathbf{M}_2(u).\end{aligned}$$

$f \in \mathcal{S}_d$ implies that $F \in \mathcal{S}$ and $\bar{F} \in \mathcal{L}_d$. We have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\omega_{ij}(x)}{\bar{F}(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\omega_{ij}(x)}{\bar{F}_{ij}(x)} \frac{\bar{F}_{ij}(x)}{\bar{F}(x)} = \kappa H_{ij}$$

thanks to Assumption 1 and l'Hôpital's rule, which implies that $\omega_{ij} \in \mathcal{L}_d$, since the class \mathcal{L}_d is closed w.r.t. asymptotic equivalence. Thus, by exactly the same arguments as in the proof of Lemma 4 (a), we can show that all entries of $\mathbf{M}_2(u)$ belong to the class \mathcal{S}_d and

$$\mathbf{M}_2(u) \sim \frac{\kappa}{c} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}] \bar{F}(u). \quad (4.17)$$

$f \in \mathcal{S}_d$ implies that $f(x) \sim o(\bar{F}(x))$ due to Lemma 4.4 (1) of Tang and Wei (2010) again. Then by Assumption 1 and the dominated convergence theorem, we know that

$$\frac{\mathbf{M}_1(u)}{\bar{F}(u)} = \frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty \int_{-\frac{c}{r}}^0 e^{-\mathbf{P}_\delta x} \frac{\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{f}(x+u-y)}{f(x+u-y)} \frac{f(x+u-y)}{\bar{F}(u)} \boldsymbol{\Phi}_-(y) dy dx$$

tends to a zero matrix as $u \rightarrow \infty$. By this and (4.17), we have $\mathbf{M}_1(u) \sim o(\mathbf{M}_2(u))$, and

$$\mathbf{Z}_\delta(u) \sim \frac{\kappa}{c} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}] \bar{F}(u). \quad (4.18)$$

It is more convenient to write (4.18) in the following form

$$Z_{\delta,ij}(u) \sim a_{ij} \bar{F}(u), \quad (4.19)$$

where $Z_{\delta,ij}(u)$ is the (i, j) th entry of $\mathbf{Z}_\delta(u)$, and

$$a_{ij} = \frac{\kappa}{c} [\mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}]]_{ij}.$$

Similarly, we write (4.9) in the following form

$$\Pi_{\delta,ij}(y) \sim b_{ij} f(y), \quad (4.20)$$

where $\Pi_{\delta,ij}(y)$ is the (i, j) th entry of $\boldsymbol{\Pi}_\delta(y)$, and

$$b_{ij} = \frac{1}{c} [[\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta]^{-1} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}] [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta]^{-1}]_{ij}.$$

For any fixed $x_0 > 0$ and $u > 2x_0$, by (3.18), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{+,ij}(u) &= Z_{\delta,ij}(u) + \sum_{k=1}^m \int_0^u \Pi_{\delta,ik}(y) Z_{\delta,kj}(u-y) dy \\ &= Z_{\delta,ij}(u) + \sum_{k=1}^m \left(\int_0^{x_0} + \int_{x_0}^{u-x_0} + \int_{u-x_0}^u \right) \Pi_{\delta,ik}(y) Z_{\delta,kj}(u-y) dy \\ &:= Z_{\delta,ij}(u) + \sum_{k=1}^m (L_{ikj,1}(u) + L_{ikj,2}(u) + L_{ikj,3}(u)). \end{aligned} \quad (4.21)$$

By $\bar{F} \in \mathcal{L}_d$, (4.19) and the dominated convergence theorem,

$$L_{ikj,1}(u) \sim \int_0^{x_0} \Pi_{\delta,ik}(y) dy Z_{\delta,kj}(u). \quad (4.22)$$

By $F \in \mathcal{S}$, (4.19) and (4.20), it is not hard to see that (see e.g. Klüppelberg (1988))

$$\limsup_{x_0 \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{L_{ikj,2}(u)}{\bar{F}(u)} = \limsup_{x_0 \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} b_{ik} a_{kj} \int_{x_0}^{u-x_0} \frac{\bar{F}(u-y)}{\bar{F}(u)} dF(y) = 0. \quad (4.23)$$

Recall that the penalty function is bounded. $Z_{\delta,kj}(u)$ must be bounded by some constant, say $d > 0$. Then

$$L_{ikj,3}(u) \leq d \int_{u-x_0}^u \Pi_{\delta,ik}(y) dy \sim db_{ik} [\bar{F}(u-x_0) - \bar{F}(u)] \sim o(\bar{F}(u)). \quad (4.24)$$

Thus, letting first $u \rightarrow \infty$ and then $x_0 \rightarrow \infty$, using (4.19), (4.22)-(4.24), one can obtain

$$\int_0^u \Pi_{\delta,ik}(y) Z_{\delta,kj}(u-y) dy \sim \int_0^\infty \Pi_{\delta,ik}(y) dy a_{kj} \bar{F}(u),$$

which together with (4.19) and (4.21) gives

$$\Phi_{+,ij}(u) \sim a_{ij} \bar{F}(u) + \sum_{k=1}^m \int_0^\infty \Pi_{\delta,ik}(y) dy a_{kj} \bar{F}(u).$$

Rewrite the above equation in matrix forms gives

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_+(u) &\sim \frac{\kappa}{c} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}] \bar{F}(u) + \frac{\kappa}{c} \int_0^\infty \Pi_\delta(y) dy \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}] \bar{F}(u) \\ &= \frac{\kappa}{c} [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta]^{-1} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \mathbf{H}] \bar{F}(u) \\ &\sim \frac{1}{c} [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}_\delta]^{-1} \mathbf{P}_\delta^{-1} [\mathbf{D}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\omega}(u)]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.25)$$

This completes the proof. \square

Remark 3 *Theorem 3 generalizes the corresponding results in Cai (2007) and Yin and Wang (2010). As being remarked by Yin and Wang (2010), the assumption on the penalty function is not very restrictive. In fact, asymptotic behaviors of several interesting ruin related functions, such as the Laplace transform of the time to the absolute ruin, the absolute ruin probability, and the (discounted) distribution of the deficit at ruin, can be obtained from Theorem 3.*

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